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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

James W. Warner, et al.

Serial No.: 10/656,800

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For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR  
HANDLING ARBITRARILY-SIZED  
XML IN SQL OPERATOR TREE

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) **Group Art Unit: 2168**

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) **Confirmation No.: 7105**

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed March 24, 2006, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 7.